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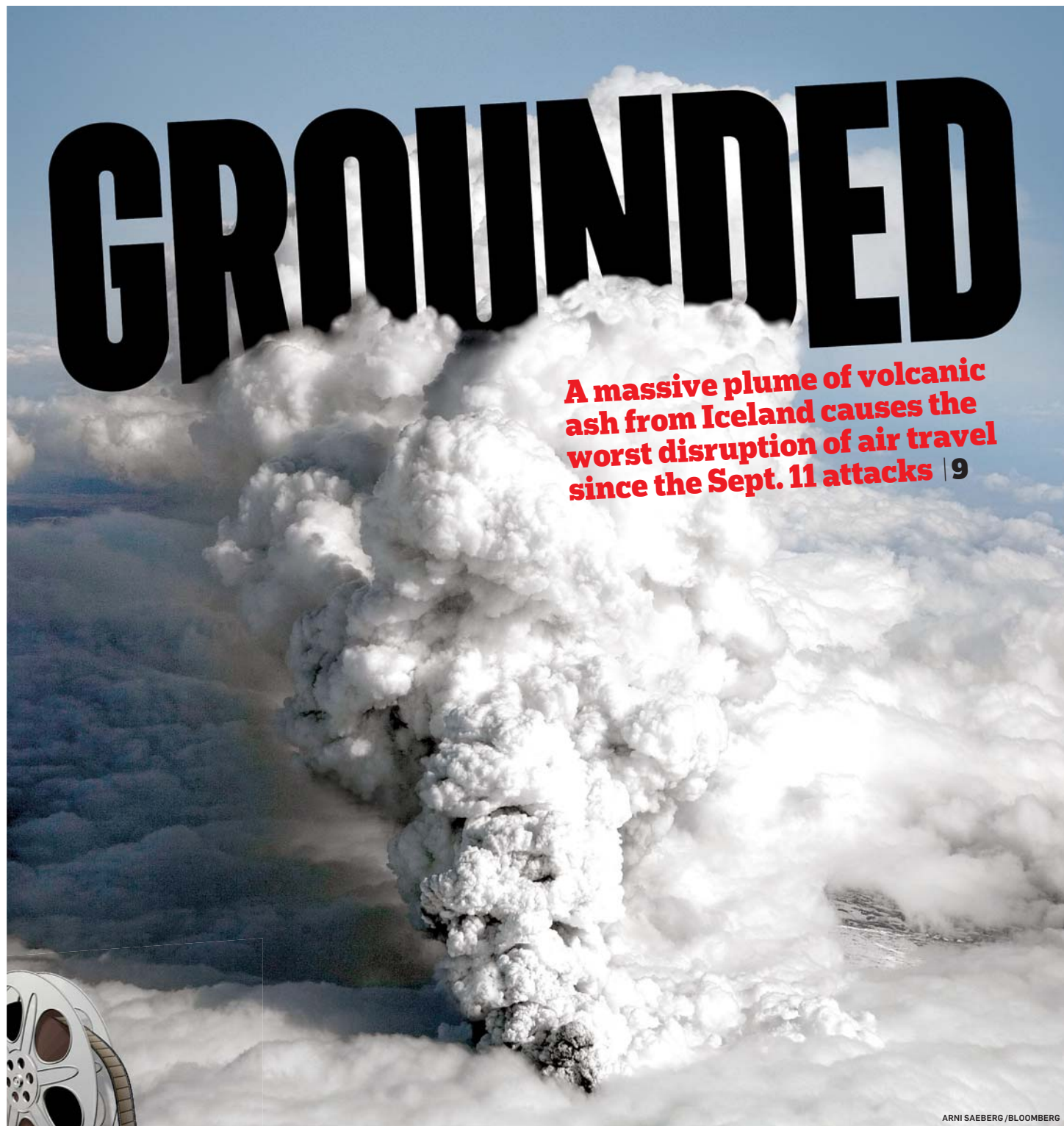
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Authorities in Atlantic Highlands, N.J., said a man who escaped from the back of a police car tried to gnaw off his own fingerprints. Keith Simmonds Jr. was arrested on drug charges Monday. Police said Simmonds managed to move his handcuffed arms to the front of his body, kick out the side window of the patrol car and escape while officers were searching his car. He was found with bloody fingerprints. (AP)

We Suggest a Kilt, or Perhaps Novelty Boxers

Parishoners at a Warr Acres, Okla., Catholic church are feuding over whether a crucifix hanging above the altar shows Jesus' genitalia, according to The Oklahoman newspaper. Critics say a large penis can be seen covering Jesus' abdominal area. Defenders say Christ's stomach is just distended. The pastor, Philip Seeton, says he has no plans to remove the statue. (EXPRESS)

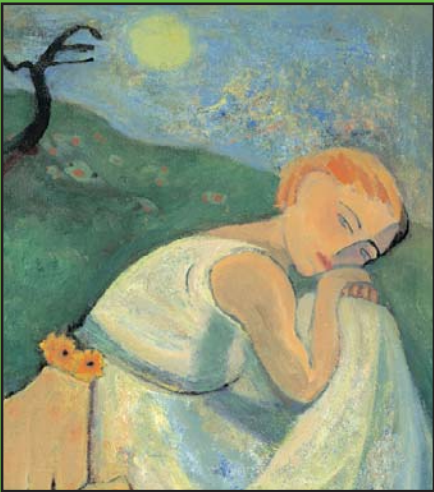
Santa Claus Always Uses That Very Same Excuse!

A burglary suspect said he was playing hide-and-seek when he was found dangling, stuck, from the ventilation system of a North East, Md., convenience store. Shane Hall said he was playing the game on the roof with other adults and decided to hide in the ventilation system. He said the other players couldn't figure out where he was and stopped looking for him. (AP)

The Big Picture



A KEEPER DRIVES elephants back to an elephant orphanage in Pinnawela, Sri Lanka, after a bath on Thursday. The orphanage was established in 1975 by the Sri Lanka Wildlife department, and holds about 69 elephants on approximately 24 acres. The facility raises baby elephants whose mothers have died. (AP)



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In Brief

NASHVILLE, TENN.

**Former NAACP Director
Hooks Dies at Age 85**

Hooks

Civil rights leader Benjamin L. Hooks, who shrugged off courtroom slurs as a young lawyer before earning a pioneering judgeship and reviving a flagging NAACP, died Thursday in Memphis. He was 85. State Rep. Ulysses Jones, a member of the church where Hooks was pastor, said Hooks died at his home following a long illness. (AP)

PHOENIX

Smuggling Ring Alleged

Federal agents on Thursday targeted more than 50 shuttle operators and smugglers accused of using vans to transport thousands of illegal immigrants from Mexico to Phoenix. Investigators accuse the shuttle operators of creating their businesses solely to help immigrant smugglers. (AP)

MILWAUKEE

Meteorite Hits Midwest

A large meteor streaked across the Midwestern sky momentarily Wednesday, turning night into day and rattling houses from Wisconsin to Missouri, authorities said. Radar data suggests the meteor landed in southwest Wisconsin. (AP)

Obama Plots a Course for Mars

President says NASA will reach red planet within his lifetime

Cape Canaveral, Fla.

President Obama predicted Thursday his new space exploration plans would lead American astronauts to Mars and back in his lifetime, a bold forecast relying on rockets and propulsion still to be imagined and built.

"I expect to be around to see it," he said of pioneering U.S. trips, first to an asteroid and then on to Mars. He spoke near the historic Kennedy Space Center launch pads that sent the first men to the moon, a blunt rejoinder to critics, including several former astronauts, who contend his planned changes will instead deal a staggering blow to the manned space program.

"We want to leap into the future," not continue on the same path, Obama said as he sought to reassure NASA workers that America's space adventures would soar on despite the impending termination of shuttle flights.



ALEX BRANDON/AP

President Obama takes the stage on Thursday in Cape Canaveral, Fla., to deliver a defense of his plans for NASA. Obama said he's committed to manned space travel.

Obama did not predict a Mars landing soon. But he said that by 2025, the nation would have a new

"We've been there before. There's a lot more of space to explore."

— **PRESIDENT OBAMA**, EXPLAINING ON THURSDAY WHY HE ABORTED PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH'S PLAN FOR NASA TO SEND ASTRONAUTS BACK TO THE MOON.

spacecraft "designed for long journeys to allow us to begin the first-ever crewed missions beyond the moon into deep space."

"By the mid-2030s, I believe we can send humans to orbit Mars and return them safely to Earth. And a landing on Mars will follow," Obama said.

The president acknowledged criticism for his drastic changes to the space agency's direction. But, he said, "The bottom line is: Nobody is more committed to manned space flight ... than I am. But we've got to do it in a smart way; we can't keep doing the same old things as before." (AP)

EDUCATION



New York City will end the infamous practice of paying teachers to play Scrabble, read or surf the Internet as they await disciplinary hearings, Mayor Michael Bloomberg and the teachers union announced Thursday. The deal will close the teacher-reassignment centers, nicknamed "rubber rooms," where hundreds of educators spend months or years in bureaucratic limbo. "It's an absurd abuse of tenure," Bloomberg said. (AP)

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Nation

Tea Party Marks Tax Day

Group caps series of protests with rally in capital it loves to hate

Washington

Tea party protesters marked tax day Thursday with exhortations against "gangster government" and appeals from Republicans seeking their grass-roots clout in November elections, a prospect both tempting and troubling to those in the loose movement.

Several thousand rallied in Washington's Freedom Plaza in the shadow of the Ronald Reagan office building, capping a national protest tour launched in the dust of Nevada and finishing in the capital that inspires tea party discontent like no other place. Allied activists demonstrated from Maine to Hawaii in smaller groups, all joined in disdain for government spending and — on the April 15 federal tax filing deadline — what they see as the Washington tax grab.

The rally in brilliant sunshine was spirited but modest in size. Republican Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota won roars of affirmation as she accused President Obama and congressional Democrats of trying to take over broad swaths of the economy.

"We're on to this gangster government," she declared. "I say it's time for these little piggies to go home."

The tax code was the villain of the day. "We have got to take the country back by taking back the money they take from us," Jim Tomasik of FairTax Nation told the crowd.

Lost in the rhetoric was that taxes have gone down under Obama. Congress has cut individuals' federal taxes for this year by about \$173 billion. CALVIN WOODWARD (AP)



Tea Party protesters gather on Thursday in Washington's freedom plaza.

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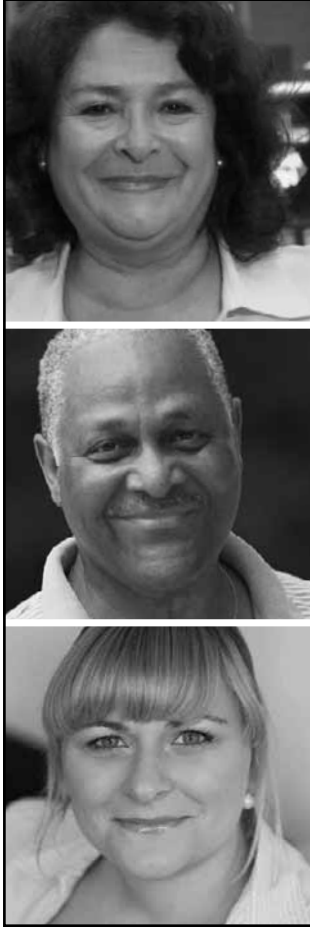
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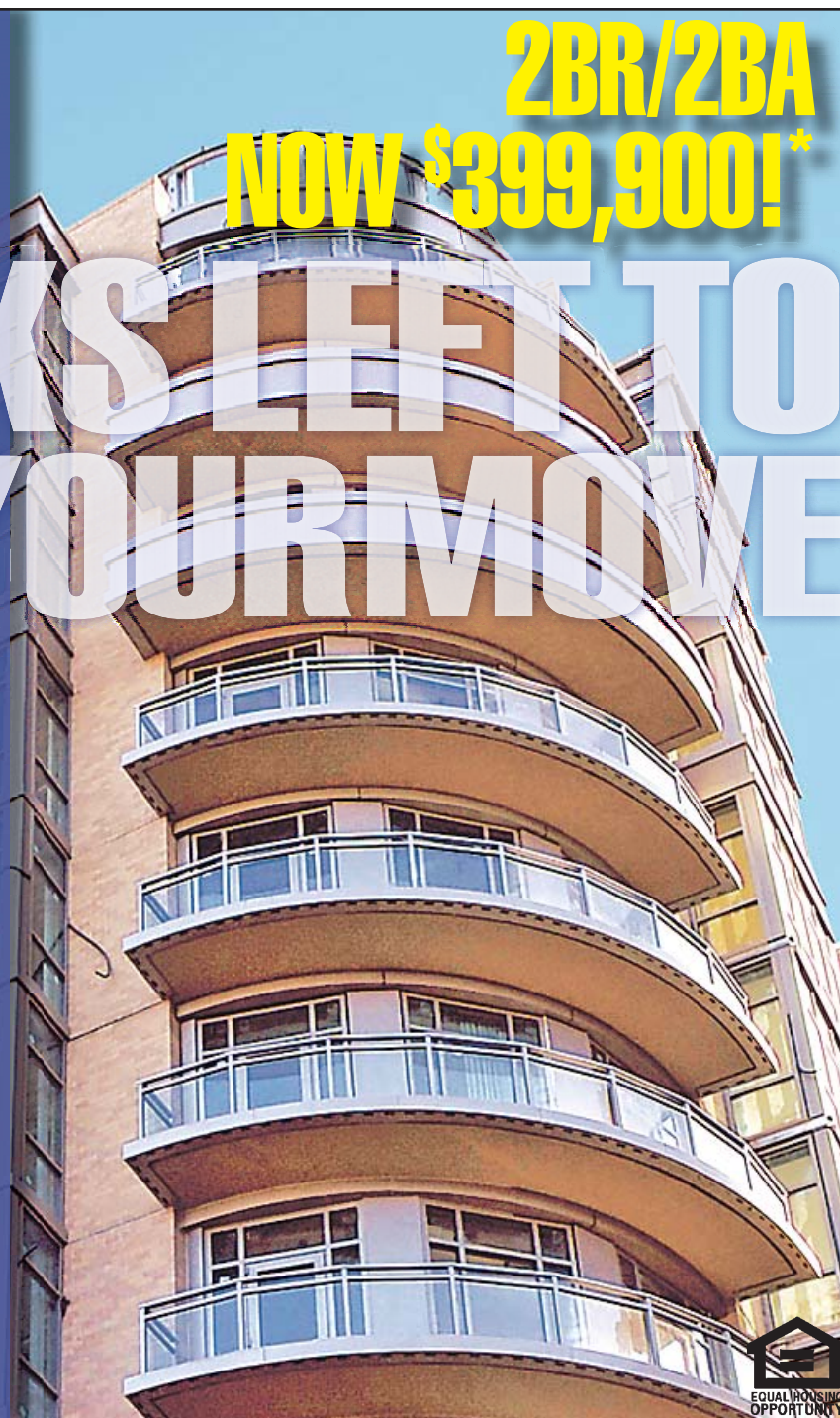
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Nation



A coastal area of the Azores Islands in Portugal is seen littered with garbage.

New Patch Of Garbage Identified In Atlantic

Pollution

Researchers are warning of a new blight on the ocean: a swirl of confetti-like plastic debris stretching over thousands of square miles in a remote expanse of the Atlantic Ocean.

The floating garbage — hard to spot from the surface and spun together by a vortex of currents — was documented by two groups of scientists who trawled the sea between Bermuda and Portugal's mid-Atlantic Azores islands.

The studies describe a soup of micro-particles similar to the so-called Great Pacific Garbage Patch, a phenomenon discovered a decade ago between Hawaii and California that researchers say is likely to exist in other places.

"We found the great Atlantic garbage patch," said Anna Cummins, who collected plastic samples.

The debris is harmful for fish, sea mammals and potentially humans even though much of the plastic has broken into tiny pieces that are nearly invisible.

Since there is no realistic way of cleaning the oceans, advocates say the key is to keep more plastic out. **MIKE MELIA (AP)**

Russia: Adoptions to U.S. Halted

Measure comes after Tenn. woman sent boy to Moscow alone

Moscow

Russia said Thursday it has suspended all adoptions of Russian children by U.S. families until a bilateral agreement can be reached to ensure their well-being.

In making the announcement, the government was following through on a threat it made last week after a 7-year-old boy was sent back to Moscow alone by his adop-

tive mother in Tennessee.

A U.S. delegation is scheduled to visit Moscow next week to discuss a new accord on adoption procedures, Foreign Ministry spokesman Andrei Nesterenko said.

"Future adoptions of Russian children by citizens of the United States, which are now suspended, are possible only if such an agreement is reached," Nesterenko said. "Russia believes that only such an agreement, which will contain effective tools for Russian and U.S. officials to monitor the living conditions of adopted Russian children, will ensure that recent trag-

Backstory

The return last Thursday of Artyem Savelyev, who turns 8 on Friday, outraged Russians. His adoptive mother Torry Hansen, of Shelbyville, Tenn., said she sent Savelyev back to Russia alone because the boy "has severe psychopathic issues." "I was ... misled by the Russian orphanage workers and director," Hansen wrote in a note to Russian authorities. (EXPRESS)

edies in the United States will not be repeated."

But there was confusion sur-

rounding the announcement. The U.S. Embassy in Moscow said it was not informed of a suspension. In Washington, State Department spokesman P.J. Crowley said: "We have not received any official notification" of the suspension.

But Russia's ombudsman for children, Pavel Astakhov, has acknowledged that conditions for children in Russia — especially orphans — are no better than in the U.S., and can be worse. "If we compare the statistics for dead children in Russia with America, it is not in our favor," he said.

PHILIP P. PAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief



Deposed Kyrgyz President Kurmanbek Bakiyev arrives at a rally on Thursday.

OSH, KYRGYZSTAN

Deposed President Leaves for Kazakhstan

The deposed president of Kyrgyzstan left the country Thursday for neighboring Kazakhstan, allaying fears of a civil war in the Central Asian nation, which hosts a key U.S. military base supporting the war in Afghanistan. The presidents of the U.S., Russia and Kazakhstan helped arrange for Kyrgyz President Kurmanbek Bakiyev to leave the country, Kazakhstan said in its role as the rotating chair of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. (AP)

BANGKOK

Thai Protesters Shift Base to Shopping District

Thai troops cleared the gutted remains of armored carriers Thursday after anti-government protesters vacated the site of last week's bloody clashes and shifted to an upscale shopping district to intensify their campaign to oust the prime minister. The Red Shirt protesters vow their new encampment in the Rajprasong shopping area, several miles from the old camp in Phan Fa, will be the final battlefield in their bid to have Parliament dissolved. (AP)

YANGON, MYANMAR

Three Blasts Kill Nine At a Holiday Festival

Three bomb blasts at a holiday festival killed nine people in Myanmar's biggest city on Thursday, the deadliest attack in five years in the country ruled by an iron-fisted regime. No indication was given as to who was behind the blasts, which occurred near 20 pavilions erected for celebrations at the Kandawgyi Lake. (AP)

Altitude Slows Post-Quake Rescues in China

Jiegu, China

Earthquake survivors shivered through a second night outdoors in a remote Tibetan corner of western China with rescuers fighting altitude sickness and dealing with a lack of supplies as the death toll rose to 760.

People with broken arms or legs cried in pain as medical teams could offer little more than injections. A doctor at the Qinghai provincial hospital, where the severely injured were being flown, said she had no idea how many were being treated because there was no time to count them all.

Stunned survivors wandered the dusty streets of Jiegu, where relief workers estimated 70 percent to 90 percent of the town of wood-and-mud housing had collapsed. Hundreds gathered to sleep in a plaza around a 50-foot tall statue of the Tibetan King Gesar, wrapped in blankets taken from homes shattered by Wednesday's quakes.

"There's nothing to eat. We've



Earthquake survivors stand outside their damaged homes in China's Yushu county Thursday. The quake killed at least 760 people.

just been drinking water," said Zhaxi Zuoma, a 32-year-old.

The official Xinhua News Agency said 760 people had died, 243 people were missing, and 11,477 were injured, 1,174 severely.

Rescue vehicles snaked along the 12-hour drive from the provincial capital into the mountainous region, which still trembled with aftershocks. The altitude averages about 13,000 feet, leaving some

rescuers breathless and ill. Even the sniffer dogs were affected, said Miao Chonggang, the deputy director for emergency response under the China Earthquake Administration. ANITA CHANG (AP)

TECHNOLOGY

Israel has banned imports of Apple Inc.'s hottest new product, the iPad, citing concerns the powerful gadget's wireless signals could disrupt other devices. Customs officials said Thursday they have already confiscated about 10 of the lightweight tablet computers since Israel announced the new regulations this week. The ban prevents anyone from bringing iPads into Israel until officials certify that they comply with local transmitter standards. (AP)



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World

Pope Responds To Abuse Scandal

Breaking his silence, Benedict XVI urges the faithful to repent

Vatican City

Pope Benedict XVI broke his recent silence on the clerical abuse scandal Thursday, noting recent attacks on the church and the need for "we Christians" to repent for sins and recognize mistakes.

Benedict made the comments during an off-the-cuff homily at a Mass inside the Vatican for members of the Pontifical Biblical Commission.

Victims of clerical abuse have long demanded that Benedict take more personal responsibility for clerical abuse, charging that the Vatican orchestrated a culture of cover-up and secrecy that allowed priests to rape and molest children for decades unchecked.

Those demands have intensified in recent weeks as the Vatican and Benedict himself have been accused of negligence in handling some cases in Europe and the

United States.

"I must say, we Christians, even in recent times, have often avoided the word 'repent', which seemed too tough. But now under attack from the world, which has been telling us about our sins ... we realize that it's necessary to repent, in other words, recognize what is wrong in our lives," Benedict said.

"Open ourselves to forgiveness ... and let ourselves be transformed. The pain of repentance, which is a purification and transformation, is a grace because it is renewal and the work of divine mercy," he said.

It was Benedict's fullest allusion to the scandal since he sent a letter to the Irish faithful on March 20 concerning what Irish-government inquiries have concluded was decades of abuse and church-mandated cover-up in the country.

Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi confirmed that Benedict was indeed referring to the scandal. "That's a legitimate reading," he said. "You can apply [his comments] to the current situation." NICOLE WINFIELD (AP)

Indian Cyclone Leaves Path of Devastation



ROPINA BIBI, 28, watches Thursday as her husband removes debris from their hut, which was damaged by a cyclone, in Bikor, India. The cyclone, which packed winds exceeding 100 mph, hit Tuesday night. It killed at least 121 people.

A Volcanic Interruption

Menacing cloud of ash brings air travel in northern Europe to an abrupt halt

London

An enormous ash cloud from a remote Icelandic volcano caused the biggest flight disruption since the 2001 terrorist attacks Thursday as it drifted over northern Europe and stranded travelers on six continents. Officials said it could take days for the skies to become safe again in one of aviation's most congested areas.

The cloud, floating miles above Earth and capable of knocking out jet engines, wrecked travel plans for tens of thousands of people, from tourists and business travelers to politicians and royals. They couldn't see the source of their frustration — except indirectly, when the ash created vibrant red and lavender sunsets.

Non-emergency flights in Britain were canceled, and most will stay grounded until at least mid-day Friday. Authorities in Ireland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Belgium also closed their air space. France shut down 24 airports, including the main hub of Charles de Gaulle in Paris, and several flights out of the U.S. had to double back.

At London's Heathrow airport, normally one of the world's busiest with more than 1,200 flights and 180,000 travelers a day, passengers stared forlornly at depart-



ICELANDIC COAST GUARD/AP/MEHDI FEDOUACH/AFP/GETTY IMAGES



Smoke from a volcano in Iceland brought air travel in northern Europe to a screeching halt Thursday. Airports in Paris, right, were closed due to the dangerous ash cloud.

ture boards on which every flight was listed as canceled.

"We made it all the way to take off on the plane. ... They even showed us the safety video," said Sarah Davis, 29, a physiotherapist from Portsmouth in southern England who was hoping to fly to Los Angeles. "I'm upset. I only get so much vacation."

A volcano beneath Iceland's

Eyjafjallajökull glacier began erupting Wednesday for the second time in less than a month, triggering floods and shooting smoke and steam miles into the air. About 700 people from rural areas near the volcano were evacuated Thursday because of flooding.

Video showed spectacular images of hot gases melting the thick ice, sending cascades of water

thundering down the steep slopes of the volcano. Rivers swelled 10 feet in hours.

The ash cloud became a menace to air travel as it drifted south and east toward northern Europe.

Britain's air traffic service said late Thursday it was extending a ban on most air traffic until 8 a.m. Friday, but flights to Scotland and Northern Ireland may be

allowed to resume before then.

Kyla Evans, a spokeswoman for air traffic body Eurocontrol in Brussels, said the ash had led to the cancellation of about 4,000 of the 20,000 daily flights across Europe. There were more cancellations as the day went on; in Germany, airports in Berlin and Hamburg were shut Thursday evening.

In Washington, the Federal Aviation Administration said it was working with airlines to try to reroute some flights around the huge ash cloud, which is hundreds of miles wide. Flights from Asia, Africa, South America, Australia and the Middle East to Heathrow and other top European hubs were also put on hold.

More disruptions were expected Friday, Evans said, "but where and to what extent will depend on meteorological conditions."

JILL LAWLESS (AP)

Why Planes Can't Fly in the Ash

1 DAMAGE: The very fine but extremely abrasive particles present a hazard to the aircraft's airframe and powerplants. They easily scratch and erode paint, aluminum and glass, damaging the wings' leading edges, and has a sandblasting effect on cockpit windscreens and landing lights. Inside the engines, the particles stick to the engine's hot parts, forming a glasslike coating, and grind up turbines, bearings and other moving parts, restricting air flow through the turbine. This may lead to the immediate loss of thrust and eventually engine failure.

2 VISIBILITY: One of the main dangers posed by ash is that it is not visible at night or in cloud, and that an aircraft's weather radar cannot pick it up. Radar works on the principle of detecting water droplets in clouds, but since the ash clouds are dry, they do not reflect radar signals.

3 AIRFLOW: The ash can block the pitot tubes and other sensors that supply vital information on speed and outside air pressure. It also can clog air filters, such as the ones through which air flows to the passenger cabin.

4 VICINITY: The volcanic plume normally travels at altitudes of between 20,000 feet and 55,000 feet. This coincides with the flight levels of almost all commercial jet flights. But flights by smaller propeller planes using visual flight rules are usually permitted because these take place at much lower altitudes. (AP)

Hatch Promises Filibuster Over D.C. Voting Bill

Washington

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, a leading sponsor of legislation to give the District a vote in the House, dampened expectations for voting rights advocates Thursday when he announced



Hatch

opposition to a bill scheduled to move forward as early as next week.

Hatch, whose support for the effort had been critical to its success in the Senate last year, said he would filibuster a bill and vote against it if the measure passes the House.

Under a political compromise, the bill would add two seats to the House: one to the overwhelmingly Democratic District and the other to the Republican-leaning Utah.

Hatch said that he objects to the House version of the bill that would create a statewide seat for Utah, instead of a fourth district seat.

ANN E. MARIMOW (THE WASHINGTON POST)

'4/16 Generation' Remembers

Last Va. Tech class to witness tragedy prepares to move on

Blacksburg, Va.

When Virginia Tech student Molly Pearl was a freshman, she slept through her French class on the morning of April 16, 2007. And perhaps for that reason alone, she is alive to commemorate the nation's worst campus massacre Friday evening by lighting a white candle and placing it beside one of 32 limestone blocks — one for each victim, including Pearl's French professor and 11 students from the class she missed.

The ceremony has happened each of the three years since the shooting, but it has taken on extra significance this year because of the looming graduation of many of the students who were freshmen at the time of the massacre — a dwindling population of students who call themselves "the 4/16 generation." The thousands who are saying goodbye are preparing for this



A pennant sits on one of 32 memorial stones for victims of the April 16, 2007 shootings.

SCOTT OLSON/GETTY IMAGES

new era with overshadowing feelings of nostalgia, camaraderie and survivor's guilt. Many are wonder-

ing what it will mean for Virginia Tech after they are gone, when the last witnesses to that fateful day

leave Blacksburg, Va., and become alumni.

Friday's "Day of Remembrance" is expected to follow a similar schedule from previous years. Classes will be cancelled, and there are events planned throughout the day that highlight the achievements of the fallen victims and honors their memory.

But seniors say they sense a winnowing intensity about the tragedy among younger students, some of whom appear to view it mainly as a day off. The university has decided to resume holding classes on April 16 beginning in 2012.

"I think the gravity of April 16 will be lifted a little bit after our class goes through," said Kelsey Steiner, 21, a senior Psychology major, who shared a class her freshman year with Nicole White, who was killed in the German classroom across the hall from Pearl's missed French lesson. "To have been here and felt the emotions and to have experienced the fear, the pain, the grief, everything, is something I don't think another class will know."

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Maj. Andy Ellis said Thursday the two suspended officers came forward with their attorneys. The



ROBERTS AND WOODLAW FIRM/AP

A videotape shows officers allegedly beating UMD student John McKenna.

latest move follows two other suspensions police have made since the video surfaced Monday.

The footage shows police hitting 21-year-old John McKenna with batons during a celebration of Maryland's March 3 win over Duke that turned confrontational.

Ellis says he didn't know if there would be additional suspensions. (AP)

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Prince Fielder brings his mighty bat to town when the Brewers visit the Nats.

Friday

7 P.M. The Nats start a three-game series against Prince Fielder and the Milwaukee Brewers. MASN

7 P.M. The Ottawa Senators try to go up 2-0 on the Pittsburgh Penguins in their playoff series, followed by Nashville vs. Chicago, Detroit at Phoenix and San Jose vs. Colorado. Versus

Saturday

1 P.M. The Nationals get an early start with Game 2 against the Brewers. MASN

1 P.M. Game 2 of the NHL playoff series between the Boston Bruins and Buffalo Sabres. NBC

3 P.M. The NBA playoffs tip off with the Cleveland Cavaliers playing the Chicago Bulls. ABC

5:30 P.M. More NBA playoff action features Milwaukee against Atlanta, Boston vs. Miami and Utah playing Denver. ESPN

7 P.M. The Caps take on the Montreal Canadiens in Game 2 of that series. Versus, CSN

Sunday

1:35 P.M. The Nats wrap up their series against the Brewers. MASN

2 P.M. NASCAR rolls into Fort Worth, Texas for the Samsung Mobile 500. Fox

3 P.M. Kobe Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers begin their playoff series against Kevin Durant and the Oklahoma City Thunder. ABC

Dishing With 'Gabby'

Bruce Boudreau has made being boring a lot of fun to watch

The Capitals

There is so much to Washington Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau. He's a winner who has racked up a 141-56-28 record, three Southeast Division titles, and a Presidents' Trophy in his brief NHL coaching career. He could skate, too, once a record-breaking player in juniors for the Toronto Marlies and a member of the AHL Hall of Fame.

Boudreau's nicknames coming up were "Dirt" — in reference to his hygiene — and "Gabby" — because he loved to talk. He made a brief appearance in the movie "Slapshot" and has a flair for the funny, whether it's at a press conference or in one of the several commercials he has appeared in. And before Boudreau came to Washington, he'd lived almost everywhere. Big cities like Toronto and Dallas and smaller towns like Fort Wayne and Manchester. His recent biography was aptly titled, "Gabby: Confessions of a Hockey Lifer."

Express recently spoke with Boudreau as the Capitals were preparing for their series against Montreal. **MARK GIANNOTTO**

What's your favorite part of living in the D.C. area?

I love the big city. I never knew Washington had so much to offer, and it does. The people have been great and the weather, for the most part, is really good — unless you have six feet of snow. Everything about this has been sort of a dream.



BILL WIPPERT/GETTY IMAGES

"I'm the most boring guy in the world. I go home and watch hockey."

You've already become a fan favorite and a media favorite, is there more to Bruce Boudreau we don't see?

I'm the most boring guy in the world. I go home and watch hockey. My son is active in hockey, baseball and golf, and other than that, for enjoyment, my wife and I, we go to a lot of movies when we get the opportunity. That's our life. We don't go out a lot to do anything. We're a pretty boring couple.

What's your favorite non-hockey activity?

It's golfing, but quite frankly, my most favorite thing to do is run my hockey school and my golf tournament (in the offseason). That eats up an awful lot

Washingtonpost.com

Game 1 of the Washington Capitals-Montreal Canadiens playoff series ended after Express' deadline on Thursday. For a full recap and expert analysis, see washingtonpost.com/sports.

of time, but it's passions that I have. It's pretty cool. ... I don't golf until the season's over. It's just something that's superstitious.

What's the best part about coaching in the playoffs?

My favorite part is winning, and to me, it's the road to winning. When it's over, it's over, [except] for a couple hours

the next day. It's like "Now, what do I do?" But the road, the agony, the anticipation, the nerves, the no sleep, it's hard to say that's the tremendous feeling of it, but it is.

Why do you think this Capitals team is ready to make a run for the Stanley Cup?

They've got the experience now, but we've been preparing, hopefully, for the whole year because the whole year was built to doing something in the playoffs. ... Our goal was never to make the playoffs, or never to win the Southeast or the conference or the league, the goal was the Stanley Cup. It's the toughest goal in sports to achieve but we're gonna try and win it.

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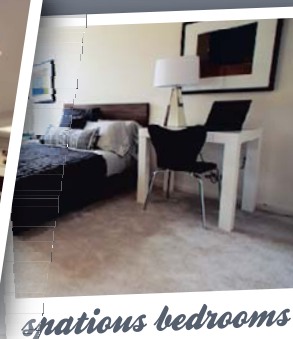
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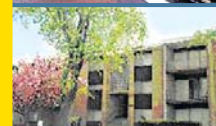


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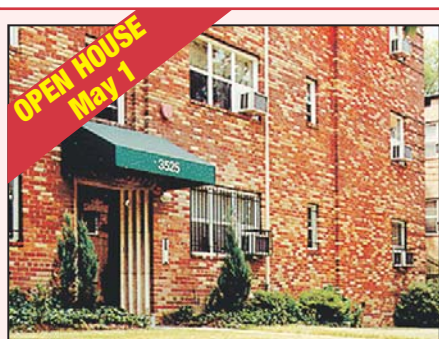
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Shanahan Gets First Look at New Team

Redskins coach set to use minicamp to evaluate draft needs

The Redskins

Two of the Redskins' biggest questions marks will not be addressed at Mike Shanahan's first minicamp, but Washington's new head coach will be looking for smaller answers that could affect the team's draft next week.

While quarterback Donovan McNabb will be on the field with his new teammates, defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth and quarterback Jason Campbell are not expected to attend the voluntary minicamp, which begins Friday and concludes on Sunday. Their futures with the team remain

Backstory

Mike Shanahan expects perfect attendance at this weekend's camp, but he has apparently agreed that Jason Campbell could sit out as the quarterback's agent researches trade possibilities that might allow Campbell to start for another team. Defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth's expected absence might not go over quite as well. (TWP)

uncertain.

Most of the other players are expected to be at Redskins Park, where Shanahan and his staff will be watching closely. Shanahan has been reluctant to commit to starters or even schemes for the upcoming season, saying he's eager to see players in-person, rather than on film.



Mike Shanahan and Donovan McNabb will begin installing the Redskins' new offense.

EVAN UCCI/AP

"The best players are going to play," Shanahan said. "We're going to have competition at every position. I'm looking forward to seeing which guys step up and which guys play."

He scheduled the first minicamp less than a week before the draft so the team might better understand its needs and adjust its draft board accordingly.

The coaches will examine most positions, trying to determine whether a new safety is needed in the secondary, if they have the linebackers and defensive linemen to successfully convert to a 3-4 defensive scheme and if McNabb has enough weapons among the receiving corps. All of those areas could be addressed in the draft, which runs April 22-24. **RICK MAESE** (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Cavs, Lakers, Magic Atop NBA Playoff Heap

Pro Basketball

Maybe Kobe Bryant is too beaten up to last through three playoff rounds against the rest of the West.

Perhaps the aging Boston Celtics do have one more run in them, or the Atlanta Hawks are ready to take the next step.

Sure, it's easy to think this year's NBA champion will be LeBron James and Cleveland, Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers, or the Orlando Magic.

Just don't tell that to all the other teams believing the trio can be knocked off.

"I don't think anybody is afraid of anybody," Dallas owner Mark Cuban said. "We think we can beat anybody and anybody thinks they can beat us. That's how good the teams are."

The best during the regular season were the Cavaliers, but they were last season, too. All that got them was a trip to Orlando, where the Magic ended their season in the



LeBron James is searching for his first NBA championship in his sixth NBA season.

NATHANIEL S. BUTLER/INBAE VIA GETTY IMAGES

conference finals, and James picked up a \$25,000 fine for not talking to the media after the loss.

But with a bolstered front line that now features Shaquille O'Neal and Antawn Jamison alongside

James, there may not be anything that can stop the Cavaliers this time.

"We still have a long way to go. It's going to be tough for us, because we're going to face a lot of different

types of teams on this run, hopefully." Cleveland coach Mike Brown.

All eight playoff teams in the West won 50 games, the second time that happened in three years.

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— **MIKE BROWN**, CAVALIERS' HEAD COACH

Still, the Lakers probably stand out as the class of the conference — when their health allows it.

"The West is wide open. A lot of great teams out there," Dallas forward Dirk Nowitzki said. "The Lakers, if they're healthy with [Andrew] Bynum and everybody, I think they're still the favorites, but everybody else is kind of bunched up and on the same level. Anything is possible." **BRIAN MAHONEY** (AP)



The Matchups

The NBA playoffs begin on Saturday. Here's a look at who's facing who in round one:

- Cleveland Cavaliers (61-21) vs. Chicago Bulls (41-41)
- Milwaukee Bucks (46-36) vs. Atlanta Hawks (53-29)
- Miami Heat (47-35) vs. Boston Celtics (50-32)
- Charlotte Bobcats (44-38) vs. Orlando Magic (59-23)
- Los Angeles Lakers (57-25) vs. Oklahoma City Thunder (50-32)
- Dallas Mavericks (55-27) vs. San Antonio Spurs (50-32)
- Utah Jazz (53-29) vs. Denver Nuggets (53-29)
- Phoenix Suns (54-28) vs. Portland Trail Blazers (50-32)

In Brief



Eddie Jordan was fired after one season with the Philadelphia 76ers.

PRO BASKETBALL
76ers Ax Coach Jordan

Eddie Jordan and his Princeton offense were a flop in Philadelphia. Team president and general manager Ed Stefanski fired the former Wizards head coach on Thursday after one season as coach, saying the Sixers took an “unacceptable” step backward after two-straight seasons in the playoffs. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL
Report: Roethlisberger Accuser Said ‘No’ at Club

The young woman who accused Ben Roethlisberger of sexual assault says she tried to get away from the Pittsburgh quarterback and told him “no, this is not OK.” In police documents released Thursday, the woman says Roethlisberger told her and her friends to take numerous shots of alcohol before one of his bodyguards took her to a hallway in the nightclub. She says Roethlisberger came into the hallway and after she tried to get away from him, Roethlisberger followed her into a bathroom. (AP)

GOLF
Tiger to Play Quail Hollow

Out of golf for five months until the Masters, Tiger Woods is waiting only two weeks to play again. Woods said Thursday he’ll play the Quail Hollow Championship, which begins April 29. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL
Browns Eye Top Pick

Cleveland Browns GM Tom Heckert says the team has had talks with the St. Louis Rams about moving up in the NFL draft to take quarterback Sam Bradford with the No. 1 overall pick. (AP)

Marquis Shrugs Off Slow Start

Free-agent addition remains confident he’ll find his form

The Nationals

The Washington Nationals signed Jason Marquis in the off-season to be a steady, veteran presence at the front end of the starting rotation.

There was also the idea that the 31-year-old right-hander with a history of winning and pitching deep into ballgames, might serve as a mentor to the younger members of the rotation.

But manager Jim Riggleman is quick to point out that “player-coach” is not in Marquis’ job description.

“We didn’t get him to mentor other players,” Riggleman said. “We brought him here to win.”

So far that hasn’t happened and, in fact, the manager sought out Marquis this week after his second consecutive underachieving start to offer some counseling of his own.

In two starts this season, Marquis has failed to get out of the fifth inning twice, given up six earned runs twice and lost to the Phillies twice. His ERA is an unsightly 12.96.

“You always want to get off to a



Pitcher Jason Marquis has not gotten out of the fifth inning in two starts this year.

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good start,” said Marquis, who will pitch Sunday against Milwaukee. “We’re trying to create a winning attitude here. We’re trying to win some ballgames. The two times they gave me the ball, I let them down. It’s frustrating. But I’ve been in that position before, and I’ve been able

Meanwhile ...

Pinch-hitter Ryan Zimmerman hit a go-ahead, two-run homer off Danys Baez in the eighth inning and the Washington Nationals rallied for a 7-5 win over the Philadelphia Phillies on Thursday. Adam Dunn also connected for the Nationals, who stopped Philadelphia’s five-game winning streak and avoided a sweep in the inter-division series. Called up from Triple-A to replace Garrett Mock in Washington’s rotation, Scott Olsen allowed four runs and five hits in 5 2/3 innings. (AP)

to bounce back from it.”

Marquis’ track record suggests he will indeed bounce back. He’s posted double-digit win totals in each of the last six seasons, starting more than 30 games in five of those seasons. It’s usually a good bet that he’ll finish the year having pitched somewhere around 200 innings, meaning four-inning outings are usually the exception.

Riggleman is confident that will be the case, noting that the veteran’s resilient mentality won’t allow him to be shaken by a couple of early-season disappointments.

“He’s kind of a hard-nosed guy,” Riggleman said. “He’s a New Yorker. I like that.” **DEREK TURNER**

As Always, Questions Center on Arenas

The Wizards

After the Washington Wizards’ season finale, Gilbert Arenas’ locker sat virtually empty. It contained two shirts, a couple of pieces of paper and a pink athletics band used to stretch and rehab muscles. The four guns that caused so much trouble were long gone, and the former occupant was spending the night in a halfway house.

And while Andray Blatche, the undisputed go-to star of the team — an honor he won totally by default

— held court with reporters in the center of the locker room, the Wizards’ season ended with the same old question for the fourth consecutive year: “What’s up with Gil?”

In 2007, Arenas had just injured his knee. In 2008, his knee still wasn’t completely healed and he was about to become a free agent. In 2009, he played only two games but said his knee was finally healed. Now he’s a convicted felon, having been sentenced to 30 days in the halfway house. And there seems to be no getting rid of Arenas, who is



Gilbert Arenas looms over any decisions the Wizards make this summer.

only two years into a six-year, \$111 million contract.

“Through every adversity, through every challenge, there’s opportunity,” coach Flip Saunders said as a 26-56 season closed Wednesday with a rare win.

The possibilities are endless. The Wizards essentially have only six players under contract for next season and \$18.7 million of salary cap space to pursue free agents. They also have two first-round draft picks. “Right now,” Saunders said, “we have an open canvas.” (AP)

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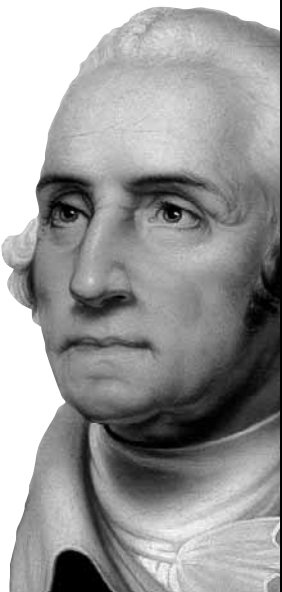
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COURTESY EILEEN FISHER

Eileen Fisher

VETERAN DESIGNER, WORKING MOM (TO SASHA, LEFT)

With 25-plus years in the fashion biz under her belt, Eileen Fisher might be a name you associate with your mother's wardrobe. Not anymore. The industry vet recently gave her line a major makeover, replacing outdated styles with chic, unfussy pieces that work for a young professional — or her hip mom. The designer will host a fashion show Saturday at 1 p.m. at Neiman Marcus Chevy Chase (5300 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-966-9700).

Why revamp your line after all these years?

We wanted to be more inclusive, especially of younger generations. It used to be that a mother and daughter would come into our stores, and the mother would shop while the daughter stood back, crossed her arms and waited. Now, we're see-

ing the daughter say, "Hey, I think I'll try this on."

What are the main styles you're offering now?

There's a lot of easy pieces to mix and match: skinny pants, leggings, tunics, lots of cardigans. One of the biggest changes we've made is modernizing our styling. We started pairing the pieces with things like high heels and red lipstick — which at first made me cringe, because they aren't things I wear myself — but it ended up looking great. All of a sudden, we could see the same easy pieces in new ways.

What influences your designs?

Originally, I was inspired by trips to Japan in my late 20s. I loved simple shapes like kimonos, and a lot of our pieces still have those clean

lines. Now, my inspiration is even more global. I love the layers of India and the little collared jackets of China. These are shapes that have been around for centuries.

"I love the layers of India and the little jackets of China. These shapes have been around for centuries."

How does your own life affect the designs?

I do yoga and meditation, so that's helped develop an important requirement that the clothes should move with you. At any point, if I need to stop and stretch, or sit for a little while, the clothes have to accommodate that and not bag or sag. I'm fanatical about that.

That sounds like something a lot of women are looking for.

It's always been one of my core ideas. When I started the company, I was so busy that even shopping was a lot of work. I'm trying to help women sort through the maze of options that are available out there.

Is your daughter (Sasha, 17, pictured) a fan of the redesign?

She wears more of it than you'd even imagine. The funniest instance was the company holiday party, where we both wanted to wear the same sequin dress. She won. I'd planned to wear it with leggings and a long cardigan; she ended up pairing it with cowboy boots.

You famously started your company with just \$350. What advice would you give young designers?

It's about passion and surrounding yourself with supportive people. There's plenty of room for new ideas. **BETSY LOWTHER (EXPRESS)**

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A smorgasbord of oysters — raw, fried and bbq'd — anchor the third annual Hank's Oyster Fest (Sat., 11 a.m.-3 p.m.), held at both the Dupont Circle and Alexandria outposts of the seafood spot. A \$75 ticket includes all-you-can-shuck bivalves and unlimited beer, plus grub like onion rings and french fries. See Hanksdc.com for more info.

Grab Bag

1

Sculpture Classics

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and girly curves fascinate Chicago designer Abigail Glaum-Lathbury. This results in crinolated dresses, skirts with waterfall pleats and neo-Victorian jackets (shown, \$385). The up-and-coming talent, whose clothes are stocked at Proper Topper, hosts a trunk show at the shop's Georgetown branch (3213 P St. NW; 202-333-6200) Fri., 5-8 p.m., and Sat., 2-5 p.m. Meet her and event co-host Jennifer Barger (editor of Express' Styles section) while checking out spring styles and getting a fall preview.



2 Scoop House

MISTER WHISKERS would prefer a circa-1944 Eames litter box. But since that only exists in his bizarre, mid-century modern catnaps, you'll have to dress up his private space differently. Kattysaks (\$40 each; Kattysaks.com), a new line of feline bathroom covers, come in space-enhancing styles approximating a Baroque chest (shown), a tiki hut and a beach bus. They look hip, but will they stop the furball's incessant meowing when you haven't scooped and raked? Doubtful.



3

The New Deal Out

ADMITTEDLY, MOST OF THE card-playing we do these days is blackjack on the BlackBerry or solitaire on our, um, office computer. But the 125th anniversary limited edition line from Bicycle (\$5; Theory11.com) made us reach for the pack again. Throwback designs steal their graphic, vintage look from early editions produced by the company, founded in 1885. We'll display them as an artsy conversation piece — or use them as backup when the Mac's on the fritz.

Men's Groom

AT FIRST ENCOUNTER, the new men's skin care line Hey Dude induced a gallop down memory lane to the Nickelodeon show of the same name. (Cheesy '80s TV, we miss you.)

But we doled out the slick metal tubes of aftershave, face wash and moisturizer (\$18 and up; Heydudeskincare.com) to guy colleagues, who reported back with positive results. All gave the potions the thumbs-up for more subtle-than-Axe scents and rich-but-not-greasy formulas.



This Bun For Fire 5

BABY BURGERS sizzle in a U.N.'s worth of varieties: veggie, foie gras-topped, Kobe. Still, the best way to cook up the mini sandwiches might be all-American style, which makes grill-meister Steven Raichlen's new Slider Spice (\$5 a packet, Sur La Table stores and Surlatable.com) a barbecuer's BFF. Basic seasonings like garlic and onions merge with more exotic flavors — chipotle, tamarind — for a heady-yet-crowd-pleasing taste when you mix the stuff into ground beef, ostrich or whatever.

Dear Manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOE BLOGGER

My son is getting married in May to a wonderful if somewhat quirky girl. Not only are they going to be married outdoors at a Virginia farm, but the entire wedding party will be barefoot. I would rather not be barefoot, as I grew up on a farm and know a thing or two about them. My dress will be a simple linen shift in a pale blue. Please suggest some shoes. — ANGIE

Manolo says, the Manolo's friend is right to be apprehensive about her son getting married with the bare feet, in the Appalachian foothills, out



by the hog troughs. (Here the Manolo will forebear to make the jokes about chittlin canapés and moonshine toasts given by the best man.)

In fact, the Manolo is at the stage now where he applauds any young couple who opt out of the mega-marriage madness, events that can consume many tens of thousands of dollars in unnecessary wedding folderol. Better the smaller, good-humored celebration filled with love, family and friends. Such joys cannot be purchased at any price.

Here is the Carmella Wedge from Elie Tahari (\$298, Zappos.com), understated and elegantly casual.



Ask the Manolo a question at manolo@shoeblogs.com. Visit the Manolo at shoeblogs.com.

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lookout home



Need more outside ideas? Paula Wallace's new book, "Perfect Porches" (\$35, Clarkson Potter), provides inspiration with photos of breezy spaces like this veranda-cum-dining room at a Kentucky cabin.

➔ **In your dreams,** you've got a backyard deck that rivals the rooftop bar at the W Hotel and a garden on par with the one Michelle Obama planted at the White House. But for most city dwellers, the reality is a piece-of-toast-sized balcony off a Shaw studio or a Petworth rowhouse patio with room for a sad, tiny tree that only Charlie Brown could love. "People think they've got all this room," says James DeLorbe, president of D.C. design firm DeLorbe, Manderlay & Wilde, Ltd. "They envision they're going to have a table and four chairs, a conversation area, plants. They rush out and buy all these things, but when they get them in there, there's no way to move."

To optimize a dinky outdoor space, think realistically about the size of your balcony, patio, porch or front stoop, says DeLorbe. Just as important? Knowing how you want it to function. "I would have a conversation with the client about how they expect to use the space," says Jason Claire, co-owner of D.C. home furnishings shop Vastu (1829 14th St. NW; 202-234-8344), which also offers design services. "Are they big into grilling and therefore eat-

"There's nothing worse than gnomes and wind chimes. That looks like Disney World."

ing outside? Or are they cocktail party people who need a high table to lean on?"

Choose furniture that won't overwhelm a small space — bistro sets for alfresco dining, lounge chairs that fold up. Avoid cushions that need to be stored somewhere when it's raining. (Even weather-proof fabrics like Sunbrella won't withstand being outside constantly.) Keep things flexible by investing in wheeled platforms for plants or tables with leaves. And in a decidedly non-Versailles style garden, multitaskers are a must — as in footrests that also work as tables or seats, and plant stands that double as bars when entertaining.

And yes, you can throw a party, even in a plot with petite proportions. Just skip the five-course, gourmet feast. "Have an open house," says Denise Gee, author of the upcoming book "Porch Parties" (\$17, Chronicle Books). "That allows people to drop by at different

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Watermelon Cooler

Denise Gee's upcoming book, "Porch Parties" (\$17, Chronicle Books), fizzes with recipes for yummy drinks meant to be sipped alfresco. Kick back and enjoy this fruity concoction on a warm spring day.

Ingredients

4 CUPS 2-inch cubes watermelon

1 CUP vodka, chilled

2 TBSP. honey

Garnish: small watermelon wedges with rind (optional)

Serves 4

Freeze the watermelon chunks in a zip-top plastic bag until just frozen, about an hour. Remove from freezer and add to a blender. Pour in the vodka and honey. Process until blended, and pour into frosted cocktail or jelly glasses. Garnish, if desired.

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keeps things interesting." For the menu, Gee suggests serving a signature cocktail and finger foods that are easy to eat even if guests find themselves perched on the fire escape.

When adding the final touches to your cozy front porch or tiny back terrace, don't go overboard. "Small spaces tend to be over-designed; people think they can do a lot more with them than they actually can," says Derek Stearns, co-host of DIY Network's Rock Solid and Indoors

Out series (Tues., 10 p.m.). "There's nothing worse than when you walk into a great backyard and you see all these wind chimes and gnomes. That looks like 'It's a Small World' from Disney World. It's better to keep it simple and to keep the space true to its function."

Stearns likes accessorizing with plants, whether that's a decorative dwarf tree in a corner or a pretty pot filled with cheap but colorful annuals like zinnias and petunias.



Designers at Vastu outfitted this 14th Street condo balcony with compact-yet-groovy lounges and small, contempo planters.

And an outdoor rug can help tie everything together. "When I see a rug with two chairs and a little couch, I feel like I'm in someone's living room," he says. "It can be the ugliest patio in the world, but no one's looking at that, because it feels like a room." **BETH LUBERECKI**

Furniture That Fits

Need to decorate your little piece of the great outdoors? These space-saving beauties are big on style.



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Crate & Barrel's Alfresco Natural Cafe Dining Group includes a compact (35.5" square) table and four chairs that stack for storage made from durable faux wood and aluminum. (\$700; Crateandbarrel.com)



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Shed some light on things with Ikea's petite, weather-resistant solar-powered SOLIG table lamp (\$20, Ikea stores) in red, white or black. Another colorful choice? The mod, metal BLANKÖ collection (\$10-\$40), with small-scale stools, chairs and round table poised for a spring soiree.



The Reelist



Truer Love

Marriage and sex are two things movies rarely get right. Sex in particular — the simple fact that every woman always manages to have her legs shaved when it's time to get busy — kicks most sex scenes right out of the realm of believability. Bra and panties always match, too.



By Kristen Page-Kirby

Comedies about married couples usually use the marriage as a punchline, so something needs to be wrong. That's true for Phil and Claire Foster (Steve Carrell and Tina Fey) in "Date Night." But what's "wrong" is that their marriage is so decidedly normal.

They love one another, it's clear. But the routines that are helpful when you're trying to keep a household going can kill any spark. In their case, regaining the spark leads to much hilarity. In most cases, it leads to thinking about regaining the spark, but ending up debating whether you should watch "The Big Bang Theory" or "American Idol" on the DVR.

Fey in particular has a spot-on monologue where she says her latest fantasy is eating her lunch in a quiet room with no one touching her, a line that resonates when you have a sippy cup in your purse and Cheddar Bunny dust on you at all times.

The script is entirely implausible, but the relationship rings true. Once they realize it doesn't take running for their lives to get the spark back — she just needs to let go; he needs to step up — it's a happily married ending.

@ Comments? Give Kristen your feedback: expressnightout.com/thereelist

The World of Cinema

FilmFest DC offers international flicks on everything from politics to music

Movies

If the National Cherry Blossom Festival is for the tourists, then Washington's first big spring cultural event for the locals is Filmfest DC. The 24th edition began April 15 and runs through April 25, and in these 10 days more than 80 international films will be screened in five area theaters, two embassies and one cultural institute.

This year's regional focuses are "Bel Cinema!" (eight new films from Italy, including "Videocracy," an examination of Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi's controversial political and television empires) and "The New Romanian Wave," whose five films cover the gamut of emotions since the country's 1989 revolution and overthrow of dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

The three sub-series include two topics that are very D.C.: the brand new "Justice Masters," which features six films and documentaries covering revolutions, war and the Civil Rights Movement, and the returning "World Views," which is built on recent movies from around the globe. But the 10-film "Global Rhythms" series breaks out of Washington mode to present sonic cinema on jazz, reggae, bossa nova, tango, rock, opera and more.

Highlights include: "Beyond Ipanema," a documentary on the phenomenal influence of Brazilian music, featuring the likes of Caetano Veloso, Gilberto Gil, David Byrne, M.I.A. and the District's own Thievery Corporation, and "No One Knows About Persian Cats," a docu-drama about alternative



Joel Stones holds up the most expensive Brazilian record ever sold (by O'Seiz, which sold for \$5,000) in "Beyond Ipanema."

Animation

Haute Culture

Looking for something family-friendly at this year's festival? Kids from one to 92 will enjoy "The Secret of Kells." This Oscar-nominated animated saga tells the story of Brendan, an eighth-century boy who must battle gods and Vikings to complete the Book of Kells, a famous illuminated manuscript. Plus, there's a fairy wolf-girl.

(EXPRESS)



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Russia's "The Hipsters" packs in both social commentary and musical numbers!

rockers in Iran. And while not officially a part of "Global Rhythms" (though it should be), "Holding on to Jah" is a compelling documentary on how Rastafarianism has profoundly shaped Jamaican music over the past 40 years, and it features interviews with legends such as U-Roy and Culture's late Joseph Hill. It's the movie's U.S. premiere and the first film by director Roger Landon Hall, who will be on hand for both screenings (April 19 and 20).

Bookending all this celluloid

are the opening and closing night screenings and galas. The Russian flick "Hipsters" opened the festival Thursday, and Germany's "Soul Kitchen" winds the reel out April 25 at Regal Cinema Gallery Place, which will also host the after-party.

Tickets for these galas always sell out, and most of the festival screenings are packed to the aisles. So, at least in that sense, Filmfest DC is just as annoyingly crowded as the Tidal Basin. CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

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An Improved Life for 'Death'

Comedy aces make this remake a funnier outing than the first

Film Review

The original "Death at a Funeral" only came out about three years ago, so it may seem a bit soon to resurrect it. But director Neil LaBute and an all-star cast surprisingly breathe new life into the material.

The British farce about an extended family coming together for a funeral, with elaborate hijinks ensuing, debuted in 2007 to mixed reviews and minimal box office. The main problem with director Franz Oz's film was that it was all over the place in tone — veering between dry wit, scatological slapstick and sticky sentimentality — with dull sections that dragged



Martin Lawrence, Peter Dinklage, Tracey Morgan and Chris Rock are good for laughs.

in between.

This new "Death at a Funeral" works better because at least it knows what it is. LaBute just goes for it, playing up the wilder elements of the story, of which there are plenty. And the hugely talented comic cast, led by Chris Rock,

Martin Lawrence and Tracy Morgan, is definitely up for such raunchy physicality.

The setting this time is the Los Angeles home of an upscale black family that's lost its patriarch. Eldest son Aaron (Rock, who's also one of the producers)

just wants a dignified ceremony, but signals trouble early when he looks inside the coffin and finds that the perfectly embalmed, peaceful-looking man lying there is not his father.

The main stars function solidly as the personae we've come to know and appreciate; no one's working outside his comfort zone. Rock is incredulous at the absurdity of it all, Lawrence is the smooth talker and Morgan is just ... Morgan. He opens his mouth and adds an irresistible weirdness to any situation.

And of course, the key figure connecting both movies is Peter Dinklage, reprising his role as a diminutive man who shows up at the house with a big secret — and even bigger demands. His return is a prime reason why "Death at a Funeral" surprisingly deserves a second life. **CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)**

Top iTunes Singles



1. Hey, Soul Sister
Train

2. Nothin' On You, B.o.B (feat. Bruno Mars)

3. Rude Boy, Rihanna

4. Break Your Heart, Taio Cruz (feat. Ludacris)

5. In My Head, Jason Derulo

6. OMG, Usher (feat. will.i.am)

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FRIDAY

After a decade of playing in and around D.C., Shortstack is ready to release its second CD of original music, "Please Leave My Mind." It's being billed as a huge step forward for the group, but if you loved the group's jangling, dense Americana on previous releases, you'll still find much to like on songs like "Breathe" and "Here's to Progress," both of which are featured on Shortstack's MySpace page. Check out the band's new sound at an album release party at the **BLACK CAT**, along with Suns of Guns and Birds of Avalon.

SATURDAY

When DJs Will Eastman, Tittsworth and Nadaström teamed up to take over the 9:30 Club last Fourth



Hit up Blisspop Spring Extravaganza at the glossy new U Street Music Hall.

of July Eve, they drew a few hundred sweaty, raving fans to D.C.'s best live music venue. Since then, Nadaström has toured the country, Tittsworth's played clubs in Asia and both he and Eastman made Fatboy Slim's top-cuts Weapons of Choice list on Beatport. (Not half-bad, eh?) Now that Tittsworth and Eastman own their own club, the **U STREET MUSIC HALL** is hosting the latest Blisspop Spring Extravaganza. Expect to find it harder to get in this time around, so early arrival is suggested.

Idols on 'Idol'

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1 Siobhan Magnus is at her best toning it down and then belting solid notes.

2. Crystal Bowersox

3. Lee Dewyze

4. Aaron Kelly

5. Michael Lynche

6. Casey James

7. Tim Urban

Jackie Tohn
TOP 36, SEASON EIGHT



1 Crystal Bowersox's sparkle guitar is going to give me sexy dreams.

2. Siobhan Magnus

3. Aaron Kelly

4. Lee Dewyze

5. Tim Urban

6. Michael Lynche

7. Casey James

Chikezie
TOP 10, SEASON SEVEN



1 Lee Dewyze has become a force to be reckoned with.

2. Casey James

3. Tim Urban

4. Crystal Bowersox

5. Michael Lynche

6. Siobhan Magnus

7. Aaron Kelly

**Now
Playing**

ALICE IN WONDERLAND (PG, 109 minutes) Tim Burton has wisely avoided producing a mere pop-up illustration of Lewis Carroll's books, instead finding inspiration in Alice (Mia Wasikowska), the Mad Hatter (Johnny Depp), the Red Queen (Helena Bonham Carter) and other familiar characters, and putting them into a brand-new story. Burton's signature gnarled, gothic aesthetic runs throughout, but it's the women

who steal the show, from the somber, self-possessed Wasikowska to Bonham Carter's scenery-chewing tantrums, to Anne Hathaway's very funny turn as the White Queen. Most important, Burton honors the more tender subtexts of the Alice stories, having to do with isolation and loss. **(AH)**

CITY ISLAND (PG-13, 100 minutes) Vince Rizzo (played by Andy Garcia, who also produced) is a corrections officer, would-be wannabe actor and beleaguered husband. Domestic relations being what they are, he tells his wife, Joyce (Julianna Margulies), that he's going out to play poker rather than admit he's taking an acting class. For her part, Joyce is the

personification of matrimonial displeasure who puts all her hopes and dreams into her college-student daughter, Vivian (Dominik Garcia-Lorido), who, has dropped out of school and is working as a stripper. The acting is, in fact, superb and, given the amount of drama per frame, the best current buy for one's movie dollar.

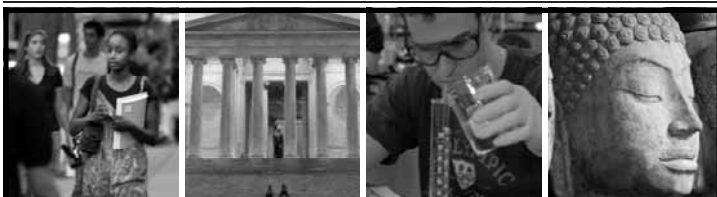
JOHN ANDERSON

CLASH OF THE TITANS (PG-13, 118 minutes) In striving for a combination of grit and grandeur, director Louis Leterrier misses a chance to make the kind of camp classic that could have endured for generations. Instead, it's a muddled disappointment. What appeal the movie has comes from its two biggest-name

stars: as Zeus, Liam Neeson struts around in a disco-inspired silver outfit that shines so brightly we can barely see his face. As his brother Hades, Ralph Fiennes swoops up from the underworld in his own cloud of dirty smoke, like an infernal Pig Pen. They're welcome counterpoints to Sam Worthington's Perseus. Sent off in search of a way to kill the Kraken, the leviathan who is the gods' greatest weapon, Perseus and his band of merry misfit soldiers hack and slash their way through a rogues' gallery of quasi-mythological creatures. The movie's conclusion promises a sequel; unfortunately, it's too big to fail. **DAN KOIS**

DATE NIGHT (PG-13, 87 minutes) A self-described "boring married couple" gets mistaken for blackmailers and spends 90 minutes going through contortions to clear their names, to mildly amusing effect. In the hands of, say, a Greg Kinnear and a Sarah Jessica Parker, the thing could be a disaster. It's not. Not by a long shot. That's because Steve Carell and Tina Fey have something that no movie, no matter how predictable, can stifle. It's called chemistry, but it's not the romantic kind. Instead, it's the power that each of them has to crack the other up. Aiding Carell and Fey in their efforts is a talented supporting cast that includes

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James Franco and Mila Kunis as the real blackmailers along with Mark Wahlberg as a black-ops consultant whose help the Fosters seek. I know: It doesn't make sense. It doesn't have to. All it needs to do is make us laugh. (MO)

DIARY OF A WIMPY KID (PG, 92 minutes) In Thor Freudenthal's intermittently inspired film, Greg Heffley—the 11-year-old known to millions of young Jeff Kinney readers as a glum-faced stick figure with a cowlick—may have been transformed into a live boy played by Zachary Gordon, but his trials and tribulations remain true to the book. He's just starting middle school as the second-smallest kid in his class. Kids who realize they're fully ordinary—that is, pretty much all of



Cherie Currie (Dakota Fanning) and Joan Jett (Kristen Stewart) in "The Runaways."

them—will be pleased to see a world they recognize on the big screen. (DK)

THE GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATTOO (Unrated, 152 minutes) At its simplest, this Swedish thriller is the story of a 40-year-old missing-person investigation. Wealthy businessman Henrik Vanger (Sven-Bertil Taube) hires investigative journalist Mikael Blomkvist (Michael Nyqvist) to find out what happened to Vanger's favorite niece, Harriet (Ewa Froeling), who is presumed to have been murdered. No sooner does Mikael start to poke around than he is joined by multiply pierced computer hacker Lisbeth Salander (Noomi Rapace), the tattooed girl of the title. Much of the film's most critical detective work involves high-tech twists to the shoe-leather approach to PI work, and for once it really works. (MO)

GREENBERG (R, 100 minutes) A delicate, if slightly smoggy, feeling of regret

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hangs over this quietly funny portrait of grown-ups growing up by Noah Baumbach. Ben Stiller plays Roger Greenberg, a 40-year-old Brooklyn carpenter. He befriends Florence (Greta Gerwig), who exists in the same provisional, painfully self-conscious not-quite-there-ness as Greenberg himself. Stiller inhabits his character's neuroses so thoroughly that it's easy to forget what a challenge it is to make such misanthropy the least bit compelling. (AH)

GREEN ZONE (R, 115 minutes) Paul Greengrass's wartime thriller, set in the early days of the Iraq conflict, is a jangly, noisy, compulsively restless thriller on a par with the "Bourne" movies, shot through with political critique. Matt Damon plays U.S. Army Chief Warrant Officer Roy Miller, who after the U.S. invasion in 2003 has been tasked with finding the weapons of mass destruction on which the war was predicated. There's no denying the film's propulsive energy and the tantalizing idea of Damon's making everything all right as a brave, morally infallible soldier. The irony, of course, is that this time his Bourne persona doesn't suffer from amnesia. Instead, he's trying to save us from our own. (AH)

HOT TUB TIME MACHINE (R, 93 minutes) The raunchy, guy-centric comedy makes a vertiginously high-concept bid to be this year's version of "The Hangover," and darned if it doesn't succeed. John Cusack, Rob Corddry and Craig Robinson star as estranged best buds who go on a ski trip and wind up athwart of the time-space continuum. It's a movie that on paper makes you despair of contemporary cinema; on screen, though, it's proof that execution is everything. (AH)

THE LAST SONG (PG, 107 minutes) In this film based on a novel by Nicholas Sparks, Miley Cyrus tries on some emo-inspired black outfits, a nose stud and a bad attitude as she not-quite-convincingly plays troubled high school senior Ronnie Miller. Fresh from a shoplifting arrest at home in New York, Ronnie is shipped off, along with little brother Jonah, to their father's beach house in Georgia. Salvation comes, of course, in the form of a boy—in this case, hunky Will Blakelee (Liam Hemsworth). It's no spoiler to anyone who has seen a Sparks movie, however, that someone gets sick and eventually dies. DAN KOIS

THE RUNAWAYS (R, 100 minutes) This swift, stylized coming-of-age film about the germinal 1970s all-girl rock band is so

distilled and formulaic that it's almost an abstract version of the classic musical biopic. Because Floria Sigismundi's film is based on lead singer Cherie Currie's memoir, and because Runaways co-founder Joan Jett was a producer, it's no surprise that they claim pride of place in the movie's schematic narrative. Kristen Stewart portrays Jett as the steady, serious and most sexually liberated member

of the group. Dakota Fanning, whose wide-eyed, sun-kissed innocence recalls Kate Hudson in "Almost Famous," teeters as if on Currie's own vertiginous platform heels between little girl and grown-up. Sigismundi leaves it to viewers to decide whether the Runaways were simply a manufactured novelty act, a bold expression of female empowerment or a little bit of both. (AH)

TYLER PERRY'S WHY DID I GET MARRIED TOO? (PG-13, 121 minutes) The film covers pretty much the same histrionic territory as Tyler Perry's 2007 picture "Why Did I Get Married?," picking up our core group of attractive, dysfunctional black couples three years after we last left them in snowy Colorado. This time they gather for relaxation and renewal in the Bahamas. For the first hour or

so, it plays like an empty but diverting beach read. Then the film shifts in tone. Perry throws in many melodramatic plot twists in the last 10 minutes, and a cameo appearance that drew gasps and giggles from the audience. **JEN CHANEY**

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It's springtime, the season of gawking at other people's flowers. Go straight to the top with an excursion to the White House's garden. You can bring strollers and kids — that Metro menace, the double storller, infiltrates even here — but leave the knives and food at home or the Secret Service will tackle you. Tickets will be distributed at 15th and E streets starting at 8 a.m. **F.Z. White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; Sat.-Sun., free with ticket; Whitehouse.gov. (McPherson Square)**

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THE RUNAWAYS (R) (2:20, 4:50)7:20, 9:50

The Avalon Theatre
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DATE NIGHT (PG-13) 12:50, 3:00, 5:20, 7:40, 9:50
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CLASH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45
THE LAST SONG (PG) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON 3D (PG) 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
IN DIGITAL 3-D
HOT TUB TIME MACHINE (R) 12:40, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20

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ALICE IN WONDERLAND (PG) 11:55, 2:35, 5:20, 7:55, 10:45

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TV weekend **lookout**

Best Bets

FRI
9:00

Jamie Oliver's Food Revolution (ABC) Jamie is shocked by the response when he asks the Huntington High School students to choose between fresh fare and junk food. Later, he tries to persuade hospital administrators to fund training for school cooks.

SUN
9:00


Masterpiece Classic (PBS) "Small Island" is the story of a Jamaican couple (Naomie Harris, David Oyelowo, right) and an English couple (Ruth Wilson, left, Benedict Cumberbatch) whose lives intertwine in friendship and tragedy when the Brits end up as landlords to the new immigrants.

SUN
9:00

The Pacific (HBO) The Marines attempt to capture the Peleliu airfield against a highly fortified enemy. A wounded Leckie is evacuated from the island after having seen his comrades being badly injured.

SUN
10:00

Brothers & Sisters (ABC) Still reeling from discovering secrets about his childhood, Kevin (Matthew Rhys, right) refuses to attend his own birthday party. He and Tommy and Justin confront longtime Walker nemesis Dennis York. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



SECRETS OF THE MOUNTAIN

Weekend at Scary's

FRI
8:00

In this NBC made-for-TV movie, single mom Dana James (Paige Turco, right) gets word that someone wants to buy a mountain cabin she inherited years ago, and she hopes that a weekend trip to sign the papers will be a chance to reconnect with her three children. But they soon encounter danger as they confront a puzzle someone is determined to prevent them from solving. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

Awards



Country Mode

The 45th Annual Academy of Country Music Awards (8 p.m., CBS, Sun.) will be broadcast live from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas with host Reba McEntire, above. Lady Antebellum leads the nominations with seven, followed by Miranda Lambert and Carrie Underwood with six and Taylor Swift with five. Fans will have the final say on who earns the entertainer of the year and top new artist awards.

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“The teachers fired only to save the budget should be brought back. Those let go for due cause should stay unemployed.”

AN ANONYMOUS COMMENTER

“Not only should they be reinstated, they should get back-pay for the hardship.”

COMMENTER TERRIE PITT

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— **THEAWL.COM** POKES FUN AT STAPP'S NEW SONG CALLED 'MARLINS WILL SOAR' — A PROMOTIONAL PIECE FOR THE FLORIDA BASEBALL TEAM. STAPP IS AN ORLANDO NATIVE.




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ARIES (March 21-April 19) You can't fix any errors if you don't know they've been made — so take a close look at how things are being done.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll be able to come to terms with a recent reduction in productivity. Inspiration may be in short supply at this time, but only temporarily.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You'll know who your friends are, because they are the ones to rally around when you need it — and it is likely you'll need it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's up to you to minimize risks to your own health and security at this time. Enlist the aid of a friend who can provide an honest assessment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's not likely to be difficult to please someone by your side. You know what he or she likes, and you can provide it in abundance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may be able to prove what others have only surmised, but you can expect to meet with some resistance as you get closer to the truth.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) The view from where you are is likely to be much clearer and more detailed at this time than you are used to — and many lessons can be learned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may not be able to decipher all messages as they are received, but before long you'll understand what they mean.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You'll have reason to celebrate, even if only with a friend or loved one. It's the little things that count.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't let others take undue advantage of your outlook and energy — or your willingness to give others what they want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You may discover that the help you've been after cannot be provided by anyone else — and that only you can solve a current problem.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Take care that your reactions to the day's events and developments are in proportion. Don't go flying off the handle.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 150-160, BEST SCORE 207

E ₁	O ₁	O ₁	G ₂	L ₁	B ₃	T ₁

Double Word Score

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RACK 1

A ₁	I ₁	O ₁	R ₁	R ₁	R ₁	W ₄

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RACK 2

E ₁	I ₁	U ₁	T ₁	L ₁	V ₄	T ₁

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RACK 3

A ₁	U ₁	K ₅	D ₂	M ₃	L ₁	R ₁

3rd Letter Triple

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RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

F ₄	A ₁	S ₁	C ₃	I ₁	S ₁	M ₃	RACK 1 =	65
Z ₁₀	E ₁	P ₃	H ₄	Y ₄	R ₁		RACK 2 =	23
H ₄	E ₁	N ₁	C ₃	O ₁	O ₁	P ₃	RACK 3 =	92
M ₃	U ₁	L ₁	T ₁	U ₁	R ₁	E ₁	RACK 4 =	59
PAR SCORE 160-170								TOTAL 239

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

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Yesterday's Solution

3	6	8	9	1	7	2	4	5
4	9	2	3	5	8	6	7	1
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7	3	5	2	4	6	1	8	9
6	2	7	5	8	3	9	1	4
9	5	3	1	7	4	8	2	6
8	1	4	6	2	9	5	3	7

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80 | 60

Today: Some sun, then clouds today. A shower or thunderstorm tonight.

64 | 43

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy, breezy and cooler tomorrow. Colder tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

SUN **MON** **TUE**
59 | 44 61 | 45 63 | 47

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 6:31 a.m.
 Sunset today: 7:46 p.m.
 Moonrise today: 7:21 a.m.
 Moonset today: 10:29 p.m.

Almanac

Normal high: 66
 Record high: 89
 Normal low: 46
 Record low: 28

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Crossword

ACROSS

1 Expressed, as a
farewell
5 Aswan slitherers
9 Mythical trio
14 Widely used
computer operating
system
15 Transportation
means
16 Offer reparation
17 Split asunder
18 One of a British
group?
19 Cook on a spit
20 Really brainy
23 Have a little bite
24 One form of
insurance fraud
25 Govt.
broadcasting
watchdog
28 Service leader?
30 Exploit
successfully
32 Busy month for
a CPA
35 "____ Bulba"
(Gogol story)
38 Invisible
surrounding quality
39 Clever and alert

43 Weighted weapon
on the pampas
44 Prophetic woman
45 911 responder, for
short
46 Exceed the limits
49 The three of a
triple play
51 Thing to play with
52 "Stop," in pirate-
speak
55 Indian nobles
(Var.)
59 Extremely
intelligent
61 Ring-shaped
island
64 Vast
65 Frosty covering
66 Lines from the
center
67 "So be it!"
68 Out of the wind
69 Overwatering
result, in plants
70 Exam
71 Low-key "Hey!"

DOWN

- 1 Pop, as a balloon
- 2 Jung's inner self
- 3 Met standouts

4 Applies, as influence
5 Callas solo
6 Tea flavoring
7 "For Whom the Bell Tolls" woman
8 Huge amounts
9 Hot breakfast fare
10 Having surmounted
11 Worn ___ frazzle
12 Funnel's middle?
13 Place for an acting president?
21 Sprocket projections
22 Short plane flight
25 Mozart's "The Magic ___"
26 Shot involving a rebound
27 Greenish blue shades
29 Pull-down exercise target, briefly
31 Subway station critter
32 Monastery head
33 Location of 41-Down
34 Personification of

carefree living
36 "___ live and
breathe!"
37 Ruins
underhandedly
40 Long-jawed fish
41 Faith-based
Utah sch.
42 "Violet"
or "sound"
introduction
47 Mexico's
national flower
48 What aves lay
50 Despotic
governor

53 Buddhist who
has attained
Nirvana
54 Suds in the surf
56 They contain
human cells?
57 Crowning points
58 Kind of shooting
59 ___ to none
(long odds)
60 Transmitted
61 Sendak's "Where
the Wild Things
___"
62 Small boy
63 Homage in verse

Yesterday's Solution

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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DARE TO COMPARE

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69						70					71			

Samurai Sudoku

Fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles. A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another.

Last Week's Solution

[illegible][illegible]

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Today in History

1900 The first books of U.S. postage stamps are issued.

1947 Fires and explosions wreck Texas City, Texas, as a French freighter loaded with ammonium nitrate fertilizer blows up. Another ship explodes the next day. The disaster kills more than 500 people and leaves 200 others missing.

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SAD**Please, Don't Let There Be Mistresses**

Melissa Etheridge and her partner, actress Tammy Lynn Michaels Etheridge, have announced their separation. In a statement Thursday, they asked for "consideration and respect for our family as we go through this difficult period." The two held a commitment ceremony in 2003. Tammy, 35, gave birth to twins in 2006. The couple used an anonymous donor from a sperm bank. (AP)

**'FINANCIAL DEALS'****Naked Cage Fights With Jesse James' Mistresses Pay Well, We Hear**

Nadya "Octomom" Suleman's mortgage holder has agreed to a six-month extension on a \$450,000 payment. Suleman's lawyer, Jeff Czech, said she has several financial deals in the works that he can't disclose. "It's taking awhile for them to come to fruition, but hopefully things will work out for her," Czech said. (AP)



Michael Lohan would totally date you if he wasn't engaged, Octomom.

Dirtbag Digest**Thank God He's Off the Streets**

Jon Gosselin is moving into a multi-bedroom apartment near the Reading, Pa., home he once shared with his ex-wife and their children, according to Radaronline.com. Gosselin has reportedly been living with his brother. In the custody lawsuit filed last week, he did not list a current address. In unrelated news, Gosselin ran his four-wheeler into a ditch Thursday near the Reading home, where he's been spending time with the kids. (EXPRESS)



Angelina blesses the masses, but oops, the holy water is in her other purse!

RISK**Kids Prefer Her Alive**

Angelina Jolie feels compelled to do her own stunts to impress her six kids, she told Entertainment Weekly. In the upcoming "Salt," this meant jumping from moving cars and dangling 10 stories in the air — which she did shortly after giving birth to twins Knox and Vivienne. "The funny thing about having children," she said, "is that now I am twice as motivated to do a cool stunt because my kids will like it." She'd also like to work with partner Brad Pitt: "The only complicated thing is to find the right project." (EXPRESS)

RISTO BOZOVIC/AP

**INFORMATION****Things You Didn't Know About Doug Reinhardt, Like Who He Actually Is**

Despite recent denials, Paris Hilton is officially split from boyfriend Doug Reinhardt after dating for 14 months. "She broke up with him two weeks ago," a rep told People.com. Reinhardt is a former baseball player who appeared on MTV's "The Hills" as Lauren Conrad's boyfriend. His sister Casey, of "Laguna Beach," is reportedly going to star her own show. (EXPRESS)

"Audrina — don't hate because your nasty Tijuana plastic surgery got you no press."

— SPENCER PRATT, TWEETING HIS DISGUST AT "HILLS" CO-STAR AUDRINA PATRIDGE'S COSMETIC SURGERY CHOICES. PATRIDGE CRITICIZED HIS WIFE, HEIDI MONTAG.

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